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Post Commander: Joseph Martinez		Sergeant At Arms:	
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Commander: Manuel Gonzalez		Asst. Sergeant At Arms: Emiliano Magdaleno	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vicw Commander: Jimmy Romero		Chaplain: Tony Olea	
Adjutant: Gary Kiser		Directors: Nick Frontuto, Robert Noriega,	
Asst. Adjutant:		Jay Jakar	
Finance Officer: Robert Woodford		Club House Manager: Erica Anerson	
Judge Advocate: Ed Moore			-
Past Commander: "Monie" Magdaleno		Hall Manager: Noreen Healey (818) 720-6343	

Commander's Message

My Fellow Legionnaires:

In last month's newsletter, I mentioned the return of Celebration Friday. For those of you that did not attend in February, it was a huge success! Brothers and Others Band had a great performance. The crowd danced the night away! Sorry you missed it.

Here we are once again in the month of March. Normally, we would be preparing for the Metal for the Troop event; unfortunately. that event will not happen this year.

The current state of your American Legion after the 1st 2 months of 2022 is good. Normally, at this time of year, we are struggling with lack of rentals and events. However, seeing that we planned ahead, we are doing well enough to kick off the Spring. But, what we are lacking is membership attendance at our meetings. In the next few months nominations and elections will happen. You must attend a meeting to nominate and vote. However, prior to that it would be well advised to attend a meeting and have a better understanding of our current position and where we need to go. Nominations will begin in April and elections will be held at the last meeting in May. I know it's not always easy to attend a meeting but we have 2 meetings a month so please try to make at least one. The information in the newsletter alone is not enough.

Have a great month, and I will see you at the post.

Post #176 Commander – Joseph Martinez

1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander's Message

Hello Legion Members: I hope you are in good health. Don't forget you can pay on line at American <u>Legion.org</u> Please let me know you paid and I'll send you your card. If you paid and get a notice in the mail saying you are past due, don't send it again. Please let me know. The City of San Fernando is taking applications for Veterans Day Recognition Program for veterans who have lived in the City of San Fernando. The cost is waived for this year. Please let me know if you're interested. The deadline is April 15. There are applications at the bar. We are having regular meetings again so please come by.

Take care and stay healthy !

Post #176 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander – Manuel Gonzalez

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander's Message

Hello Fellow Legion Members: I hope everyone had a wonderful month of February. Celebration Fridays have resumed at our Post. They take place on the last Friday of every month. Check the calendar for upcoming dates. Reservations for a table can be made through Noreen Healey, Hall Manager, at 818 720-6343. Football season is over and now into the Baseball season we go. Hoping the baseball lockout will not last too much longer. Remember to come support our Clubhouse. Plenty of TV's and cold refreshing beverages. I hope everyone has a nice month of March. Be safe and see you at our next General meeting.

Post#176 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander – Jimmy Romero

#### **Patriot Bingo**

Traditionally, bingo has been a great fundraising mechanism for non-profit entities like our post. Patriot Bingo has become our source of ongoing revenue. However, the returns have been minimal, to say the least. Patriot Bingo is an opportunity for us to bring in funds to offset some of the expenses that challenge our post each month. So come out, join the excitement, and support our post at the same time. Tell your family members and friends that they can also enjoy an evening of bingo while supporting our post as well.

Bingo Manager – Bob Woodford

President – American Legion Riders Message

They say; "Spring is just around the corner". Your Legion Riders are looking for that corner! Until then, not much to report. So, come on down to the Post. Have a "Cold One" and enjoy your new Clubhouse. If you want something to do on a Wednesday night, come play with Patriot Bingo. Games start at 5:00pm. Until next month, look twice for bicycles and motorcycles and keep the greasy side down.

President Post 176 – American Legion Riders – Jay Jakar

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### Auxiliary President's Report

Ladies: In March, we will have our first round of nominations for new officers for 2022-2023. Elections will be held at our April meeting, more information to follow.

We're still looking for new members. If you know anyone who might be interested, please invite them to an Auxiliary meeting.

The District 20 in Newhall, Post 507 will have their meeting on Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon. Lunch will be served and all Auxiliary members are welcome to attend. The address is 24527 Spruce St. Newhall, CA 91355.

So Ladies, please mark your calendar for these important dates. Please be sure to read the newsletter for events taking place and please come and support our Post.

Unit 176 Auxiliary President, Hila Estrada

## Auxiliary 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President's Message

Hello Auxiliary Members: We are planning several functions for this coming year. Please come and join us to hear our plans. We would love your input and your assistance.

Thank you to all our members who have paid their dues. Of you still owe your dues, bring it in, mail or pay on line.

We are looking for new members. Bring them to our next meeting which is Monday March 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pn. Until we see you again, stay safe and healthy.

Unit #176 Auxiliary 1st Vice President, Antonette Valdez

#### Hall Manager's Report

We continue to take Hall reservations for events. Please call me at 818 720-6343 or text me at the same number with any questions. Thank you!

Post 176 Hall Manager – Noreen Healey

#### **ROLL CALL REMINDER:**

To help the Post cutdown on mailing costs for our newsletter, please consider receiving your Newsletter by e-mail. Please send your email address to: <u>SF176VETS@gmail.com</u>

Thank you: Any questions, please call or text me at (818)535-4970 (Margaret Rios)

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ALA Unit 176 donated detergent and socks to the Sepulevda Veterans Hospital recently. Hila Estrada, Unit President, met with Mona H., VA Representative to make the donation. This is an ongoing project for Unit 176. Thank you ladies for all your effort and continued support.



#### Tommy Traba turns 90!

Long-time Legionnaire Tommy Traba recently celebrated his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday with family and friends. A drive-by birthday celebration was held in his honor to recognize and celebrate this milestone.

Mr. Traba is a lone-time Legionnaire where he served as Sargent at arms for many years and he was also a member of the Burial Squad. If you look around the Post, all the military plaques that are displayed were donated and painted by Mr. Traba.

We wish you a Happy Birthday. We congratulate and thank you for your many years of support and dedication to our Post. We thank you for your service.



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Noreen Healey (818) 720-6343



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**Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday** Sunday Monday **Saturday** 2 3 4 5 5pm -Patriot 6pm -Board Meeting HALL RENTED HALL RENTED Bingo 7pm- Genl. Meeting 12:30-5pm 2PM-8:30PM Funeral: Phil Chavez. 9 7 10 11 12 8 6 5pm – Patriot Bingo 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 6pm MCL Meeting 5pm – Patriot 6:30 Auxiliary 6pm -Board Meeting Bingo 7pm-Genl. Meeting Meeting **Daylight Saving** St Patrick's Day **Begins** 20 22 23 25 21 24 26 5:pm – Patriot 7:00pm HALL RENTED **Celebration Friday Bingo** Spring Begins 29 28 31 27 30 HALL RENTED 5:pm – Patriot National Vietnam **Possibly** Bingo War Veterans Day (2017) Page 4.

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# \* 602 Pico St. \* DOORS OPEN @ 7PM BAND STARTS @ 8PM